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# §926.15 Approval of Montana regulatory program amendments.

The following is a list of the dates amendments were submitted to OSM, the dates when the Director's decision approving all, or portions of these amendments, were published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and the State citations or a brief description of each amendment. The amendments in this table are listed in order of the date of final publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

Original amendment submission date	Date of final publication	Citation/description
September 13, 1983	January 3, 1984	MCA 82-4-237, -251(4), -254.
April 2, 1984	January 3, 1985	ARM 26.4.1206 through .1209, .1211, .1212.
January 3, 1984	November 18, 1985	ARM 26.4.310, .621 through .626, .1260 through .1263.
July 3, 1985	February 14, 1986	MCA 82-4-231, 232, 254.
April 23, 1987	December 31, 1987	MCA 82-4-203, 222, 223.
December 21, 1988	May 11, 1990	ARM 26.4 subchapters 3, definitions and strip mine permit application requirements; 4, mine permit and test pit prospecting permit procedures; 5, backfilling and grading requirements; 6, transportation facilities, explosives and hydrology; 7, topsoiling, revegetation, and protection of wildlife and air resources; 8, alluvial valley floors, prime farmlands, alternate reclamation, and auger mining; 9, underground coal and uranium mining; 10, prospecting; 11, bonding, insurance reporting, and special areas; 12, special departmental procedures; 13, miscellaneous provisions.
June 19, 1990	March 20, 1991, August 19, 1992.	ARM 26.4.724 through 726, .728, .730 through .733, .1301A, .724; ARM 26.4.920, .924 through .927, .930, .932; ARM 26.4 subchapters 3, 5, 8, 11, 12.
October 19, 1992	February 25, 1994	MCA 82-4-203(26).
June 16, 1993, July 28, 1993.	February 1, 1995	MCA 82–4–203, subsections (14), (16), (21), (23), (29), (34), (35), (36), definitions; 82–4–224, surface owner consent; 82–4–226, subsections (1), (2), (3), (5), (6), (8), prospecting permits and notices of intent; 82–4–227, subsections (1), (2), (3), (7) through (13), permit approval/denial criteria.
May 16, 1995	January 22, 1999	MCA 2-15-3501, 2-15-3502, 82-4-203(1) through (35), except (24); MCA 82-4-204; MCA 82-4-205; MCA 82-4-221; MCA 82-4-223; MCA 82-4-226(8); MCA 82-4-227; MCA 82-4-231; MCA 82-4-232(6) and (7); MCA 82-4-255; MCA 82-4-251; and MCA 82-4-254(1) through (3). Decision deferred on MCA 82-4-239; MCA 82-4-203(24) disapproved.
March 5, 1996	January 22, 1999	ARM 26.4.301(114); 26.4.410; 26.4.1001; and 26.4.1001A.
July 20 and August 17, 2000.	6/12/01	MCA 82-4-203(1) and (21)(d), 82-4-232(1), (7) and (8), 82-4-233(1) and 4, 82-4-243, 82-4-253(1), (2) and (3) and 82-4-254(1), (2), (3), (4) and (9).
April 27, 2001	November 21, 2001	MCA 82-4 Part 2 Operating permit revocation—permit transfer
February 1 and 28, 1995.	February 12, 2002	ARM 26.4.301(79) through (137); 26.4.304(5) and (6); 26.4.308(2); 26.4.314(3) and (5); 26.4.321(1) and (3); 26.4.404(5); 26.4.405(6) and (8); 26.4.407(1), (2) and (4); 26.4.501A(3); 26.4.505(4) through (8); 26.4.524(2); 26.4.601(5) and (7); 26.4.602(2); 26.4.603(9) and Introduction; 26.4.605(3); 26.4.623(2); 26.4.633(2); 26.4.633(2); 26.4.633(2); 26.4.633(2); 26.4.633(2); 26.4.624(5) and (8); 26.4.702(4); 26.4.711(2) through(6); 26.4.721(1) through (3); 26.4.724(6); 26.4.726(2) and (3); 26.4.921(1); 26.4.825(4) and (6); 26.4.924(3) through (5), (8) through (21); 26.4.927(2) and (3); 26.4.930(3); 26.4.932(8); 26.4.1002(1) and (2); 26.4.1005(2) and (3); 26.4.1006(1) through (4); 26.4.1007(1) and (2); 26.4.1005(2) and (3); 26.4.1011(1); 26.4.1014(2); 26.4.1116(7); 26.4.1116A(1) and (2); 26.4.1141(3); and 26.4.1212(1) are approved. ARM 26.4.301(78); 26.3.303, Introduction, (1), (6) through (8), (13) through (15), and (20) through (24); 26.4.404(7) through (10); 26.4.405(5); 26.4.405A; 26.4.405B, 26.4.405B, 26.4.519A; 26.4.645(6); 26.4.646(6); 26.4.932(5)(b) and 26.4.1206(1) are deferred.

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Original amendment submission date	Date of final publi- cation	Citation/description
May 7, 2002	August 6, 2003	ARM 17.24.301 (recodified); 17.24.301(13), (34), (39), (46), (47), (64), (71), (73), (76), (79), (95), (103), (110), (111), (133); 17.24.302(6); 17.24.303(15)(a)(ii); 17.24.304(5); 17.24.305(2)(b); 17.24.306(1), (3); 17.24.313(6); 17.24.3315(1)(b); 17.24.321(1)(intro), (a), (2)–(4); 17.24.3024(2), (3); 17.24.327(2); 17.24.315(1)(b); (5)(b)(i); 17.24.403(2)(a); 17.24.405(1), (8); 17.24.413(4); 17.24.415(1); 17.24.416(1)(d), (2); 17.24.501(1), (3), (4)–(6); 17.24.501(1), 17.24.5104 deleted; 17.24.503(1); 17.24.505(2); 17.24.501(4); 17.24.501(1), (2), (3 recodified); 17.24.518(1); 17.24.519A deleted; 17.24.501(1), (2), (3 recodified); 17.24.505(1); 17.24.501(1), (11); 17.24.601(1)–(1); 17.24.604 deleted; 17.24.505(5); 17.24.506 [moved to 17.24.601(7)]; 17.24.604 deleted; 17.24.505(1); 17.24.606 [moved to 17.24.601(7)]; 17.24.604 deleted; 17.24.505(1); 17.24.606 [moved to 17.24.601(7)]; 17.24.604 (1)-(3); 17.24.632(2)(b)(iii); 17.24.625(1), (2); 17.24.632(1); 17.24.633(3)–(5); 17.24.634(1)(intro), (a), (2), (3); 17.24.639(1)(c)–(27); 17.24.640(1); 17.24.634(1)(intro), (a), (2), (3); 17.24.639(1)(c)–(27); 17.24.640(1); 17.24.634(1)(intro), (a), (2), (3); 17.24.711(1), (6)(b); 17.24.716(1), (2), (5); 17.24.726(2); 17.24.728(intro), 17.24.733(3), recodified (3)–(5); 17.24.726(1); 17.24.815(2)(c)–(e), (f)(i), 17.24.726(1); 17.24.726(2); 17.24.728(intro), 17.24.111(1)–(3), (4)–(6) recodified, (2)–(4); 17.24.815(2)(c)–(e), (f)(i), 17.24.901(1)(c)(i)(iii); 17.24.924(15)–(e), (f)(i), 17.24.925(2); 17.24.927(3); 17.24.1001(1)(a), (2)(b)–(0), (4); 17.24.1003(3)(c intro), 17.24.1006(1), (3)(intro); 17.24.1001(1)(a), (2)(b)–(0), (4); 17.24.1005(3)(c intro), 17.24.1014(1)(b), (2)(d), (4); 17.24.1114(1)(b); 17.24.1108(1); 17.24.1114(4), recodify (5)–(6); 17.24.1114(4)(b); 17.24.1126(1); 17.24.1226(1); 17.24.1226(1); 17.24.1228(1); 17.24.1226(1), (2); 17.24.1228(1); 17.24.1226(1), (2); 17.24.1228(1); 17.24.1226(1), (2); 17.24.1228(1); 17.24.1226(1), (2); 17.24.1228(1); 17.24.1226(1), (2); 17.24.1228(1); 17.24.1226(1), (2); 17.24.
July 29, 2003	February 16, 2005	(d), (f); 82–4–241(1)–(3); 82–4–254(3), (4).  MCA 82–4–203(4) except at (4)(c) the phrase "as necessary to support postmining land uses within the area affected and the adjacent area"; 82–4–203(1); (16), (17), (20) through (23); (24) except the phrase "as they relate to uses of land and water within the area affected by mining and the adjacent area"; (26), (27), (28), (30), (37), (38), (42) through (44), (46), (47), (50), (55); 82–4–221(3); 82–4–222(1)(m)–(p); 82–4–231(10)(k) except the phrase "as necessary to support postmining land uses and to prevent material damage to the hydrologic balance in the adjacent area"; 82–4–231(10)(k)(vii); (viii) except the phrase "as except the phrase "as necessary to support postmining land uses within the area affected and to prevent material damage to the hydrologic balance in adjacent areas"; 82–4–232(1) through (10); 82–4–233; 82–4–234; 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c); 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c); 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c); 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c); 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c); 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c) 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c) 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c) 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c) 82–4–235(1)–(1)(c) 82–4–236(1)–(1)(c) 82–4–236(1)–(1)(c) 82–4–236(1)(c) except the phrase "are in troduced species that have become naturalized"; 82–4–236; HB 373 Section 11; 82–4–25(2); HB 684 repeal of Sec. 5, Chapter 522, Laws of 2001; also all editorial and codification changes.  We are taking no action on: MCA 82–4–202(1); 82–4–239.
August 31, 2005	October 10, 2007	ARM 17.24.301(6); 17.24.301(11); 17.24.301(13) (intro) and (a), (b), and (d); 17.24.301(26); 17.24.301(33); 17.24.301(36); 17.24.301(38); 17.24.301(46); 17.24.301(50); 17.24.301(50); 17.24.301(64); 17.24.301(50); 17.24.301(50); 17.24.301(64); 17.24.301(50); 17.24.301(50); 17.24.301(64); 17.24.301(50); 17.24.301(107)(b); 17.24.301(143); 17.24.302; 17.24.303(1)(w), (x), and (y); 17.24.305(2)(b)(i); 17.24.301(143); 17.24.302; 17.24.303(1)(w), (x), and (y); 17.24.305(2)(b)(i); 17.24.301(143); 17.24.302; 17.24.303(1)(w), (x), and (y); 17.24.305(2)(b)(i); 17.24.308(1)(b)(wi); 17.24.302; 17.24.3021(1)(b); 17.24.313; 17.24.321(1)(a) and (3); 17.24.322(2)(a)(x) and (4); 17.24.323; 17.24.3241(1)(e); 17.24.313(1)(f); 17.24.405(1) and (2); (6)(j), and (7); 17.24.416(1)(b); 17.24.413(1)(f); 17.24.422(3); 17.24.603(2); 17.24.501(4)(a), (d) and (6)(d); 17.24.515; 17.24.522(3); 17.24.603(4); 17.24.501(4)(a), (11) and (14); 17.24.626(1)(j); 17.24.633(2); 17.24.634; 17.24.636(2) and (3); 17.24.639(2), (3) and (7); 17.24.624(1)-(7); 17.24.636(4); 17.24.701(4); 17.24.71(4); 17.24.71(4); 17.24.716(1), (3), (4), and (5); 17.24.77(1); 17.24.718(3); 17.24.719; 17.24.720; 17.24.724(1)-(3); 17.24.726; except at (1) the proposed deletion of the phrase "the application and must;" 17.24.728; 17.24.751(1) and (2)(a), (c), (e), and (f); 17.24.721; 17.24.823; 17.24.825; 17.24.826; 17.24.832(4) and (5); 17.24.821; 17.24.823; 17.24.824; 17.24.825; 17.24.815(1)(a)(i), (ii) and (b); 17.24.1109(1)(d)-(g); 17.24.1104(1) and (3); 17.24.1108(1), (2) and (4); 17.24.1109(1)(d)-(g); 17.24.1104(1) and (3); 17.24.11202; 17.24.132(1)(a); all minor, editorial, and codification changes.

#### § 926.16

Original amendment submission date	Date of final publication	Citation/description
January 18, 2006	May 14, 2008	Montana Code Annotated (MCA) 82-4-206; 82-4-223; 82-4-225; 82-4-226; 82-4-227; 82-4-231; 82-4-232; 82-4-233; 82-4-235; 82-4-251; 82-4-254; 82-4-1001; 82-4-1002.
November 6, 2006	May 14, 2008	Administrative Record of Montana (ARM) 17.4.301; 17.4.302; 17.4.303; 17.4.304; 17.4.305; 17.4.306; 17.4.307; 17.4.308; 17.24.1206; 17.24.1211; 17.24.1212; 17.24.1218; 17.24.1219; 17.24.1220.
July 7, 2008	January 5, 2009	Montana Strip and Underground Mine Reclamation Act 82–4–232(3) and (4), 82–4–232 (5)(k), 82–4–232(5)(l).

 $[62\ FR\ 9946,\ Mar.\ 5,\ 1997,\ as\ amended\ at\ 64\ FR\ 3610,\ 3615,\ Jan.\ 22,\ 1999;\ 66\ FR\ 31533,\ June\ 12,\ 2001;\ 66\ FR\ 58381,\ Nov.\ 21,\ 2001;\ 67\ FR\ 6408,\ Feb.\ 12,\ 2002;\ 68\ FR\ 46477,\ Aug.\ 6,\ 2003;\ 70\ FR\ 8018,\ Feb.\ 16,\ 2005;\ 72\ FR\ 57838,\ Oct.\ 10,\ 2007;\ 73\ FR\ 27743,\ May\ 14,\ 2008;\ 74\ FR\ 219,\ Jan.\ 5,\ 2009]$ 

### § 926.16 Required program amendments.

Pursuant to 30 CFR 732.17(f)(1), Montana is required to submit to OSM by the specified date the following written, proposed program amendment, or a description of an amendment to be proposed that meets the requirements of SMCRA and 30 CFR Chapter VII and a timetable for enactment that is consistent with Montana's established administrative or legislative procedures.

- (a)-(d) [Reserved]
- (e) By October 19, 1992, Montana shall:
  - (1) through (9) [Reserved]
  - (f)-(m) [Reserved]

[49 FR 20287, May 14, 1989, as amended at 55 FR 19736, May 11, 1990; 57 FR 37446, Aug. 19, 1992; 59 FR 9087, Feb. 25, 1994; 60 FR 6013, Feb. 1, 1995; 64 FR 3610, 3615, Jan. 22, 1999; 67 FR 6408, Feb. 12, 2002; 68 FR 46477, Aug. 6, 2003; 72 FR 57838, Oct. 10, 2007]

## § 926.20 Approval of Montana abandoned mine land reclamation plan.

The Montana Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Plan, as submitted on June 16, 1980, and as revised on July 28, 1980, is approved effective November 24, 1980. Copies of the approved plan are available at:

(a) Montana Department of Environmental Quality, 1625 Eleventh Avenue, Helena, MT 59620–1601.

(b) Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Casper Field Office, 100 East B Street, Room 2128, Casper, WY 82601–1918.

[60 FR 37002, July 19, 1995]

## § 926.21 Required abandoned mine land plan amendments.

Pursuant to 30 CFR 884.15, Montana is required to submit for OSM's approval the following proposed plan amendment by the date specified.

(a)–(b) [Reserved]

 $[64\ {\rm FR}\ 3610,\ {\rm Jan.}\ 22,\ 1999,\ {\rm as}\ {\rm amended}\ {\rm at}\ 67\ {\rm FR}\ 41829,\ {\rm June}\ 20,\ 2002]$ 

# § 926.25 Approval of Montana abandoned mine land reclamation plan amendments.

- (a) Montana certification of completing all known coal-related impacts is accepted, effective July 9, 1990.
- (b) The following is a list of the dates amendments were submitted to OSM, the dates when the Director's decision approving all, or portions of these amendments, were published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and the State citations or a brief description of each amendment. The amendments in this table are listed in order of the date of final publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

Original amendment submission date	Date of final publication	Citation/description
April 20, 1983	August 18, 1983	Liens on noncoal projects; noncoal additions to Montana Abandoned Mine Land Inventory; emergency response reclamation program; organizational restructure.
March 22, 1995	July 19, 1995	Reclamation of interim program and bankrupt surety coal sites; future set-aside program; water supply facilities and water replacement; other policies and procedures.